IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of	
BACHSTEION, Stefan	Group Art Unit: 1791
Application No.: 10/564,664	Examiner: MCCLELLAND, Kimberly Keil
Filed: January 13, 2006	Atty. Docket: 4091.012
For: Method for the production of a laminate, device for carrying out the method and corresponding laminate	

RESPONSE TO JUNE 18, 2008 RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 18, 2008, which set a 1-month shortened statutory period for response thereto, Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's restriction requirement. Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of time with respect to the filing of this response and has paid for such extension of time through the USPTO electronic filing system.

Applicant provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-9, but traverses the Examiner's Restriction Requirement and requests that the requirement be withdrawn. The requirement of unity of invention should entail a comparison of the claims of the application to each to determine whether those claims, when compared to one another, there is a technical relationship among those claimed inventions involving one or more of the same corresponding special technical features. PCT Rule 13.2. Rather than comparing the pending claims to one another, the Examiner here has compared the claims to an alleged prior art reference and has asserted that none of the claims recite any special technical feature at all because the Examiner believes the claims are disclosed by the alleged prior art reference. The Examiner' analysis is entirely incorrect. Specifically, unity of invention does not entail a comparison of the pending claims to the prior art.

If the Examiner believes the prior discloses the claimed invention, the appropriate action is an Office Action setting forth rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102 and/or 103, not a restriction requirement. Here, the Examiner has asserted the same alleged prior art against each of the pending claims, thereby affirming that in fact there is unity of invention in this instance.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Restriction requirement should be withdrawn as failing to even attempt to apply the correct analysis of comparing the claims to one another.

Concurrent with the filing of this Response, Applicant has submitted a preliminary amendment placing the claims in proper U.S. form.

Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time with respect to the filing of this Response and has paid for such extension of time through the USPTO electronic filing system. Applicant does not believe any additional fees are due in connection with the Application, but if any such fees are due, including any necessary extension of time, such fees may be charged to Deposit Account 50-2837.

Respectfully submitted,

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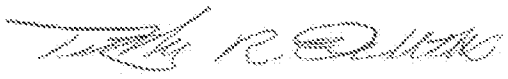

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